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FRIENDS WRITE FROM WEBSTER TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO DEVONSHIRE HAWKES, IRELAND

(Part Three continued from Vol. 26 page 34)

Amherstburgh the 12th of May 1856 Canada West.
To Devonshire Hawkes.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of March last and much pleased to know that you had recd. my Uncle's in which I had explained as nearly as I could how matters are here, both you and I are a little mistaken in the way of doing business of this sort. I shewed your letter to a Lawyer who does some business for me, and he said that the Hawkes letter "was worth half an acre of the bog of Allen to me", neither would a power of Attorney be any more than a matter of trust which under present circumstances that is a deserted part of the country it would be uncertain when I could get any thing available, also another error on your part that is having no law of Primogeniture here which entitles the Eldest to all property, as the law of America gives shares alike to all brothers and sisters.

Now, to obviate all such aside from law which you will see explained in my letter before this, my object is to put you in Possession of a part of your hopes and remunerate myself whenever opportunity offers, either by trading or selling on credit as it appears impossible to do any thing else as I must in such case guarantee a title of my own ----. I will therefore be held responsible. The only was is one that is a warrantee deed from John Hawkes to me if no other brother is convenient to sign it also as it is more of, I suppose, matter of form than necessity, and I would send you the written deed to avoid expense or mistakes, but to get as many brothers if you could to sign it as possible, otherwise we will do with John, if no more, but the more signatures the more valid and greater Eclat.

You will let me know immediately if I may send you out this deed for signatures, and if so when I get it back affirmed on reciept of the same that I am to send you a draught on one of your banks for the sum of twenty five pounds Str. (£25.00) which I can purchase of Mr. Lyall, Exchange Broker in Detroit whose credit as an Exchange Office has not changed in twenty years that he has kept there, should it give you more satisfaction he may retain the deed on your authority until the money is remitted to you, if the war has made Money plenty with you it makes it scarce with us, and what is termed dicker in the county places is all the go at present. So I shall await the result, in any case the above is the easiest plan that I am advised to.

My Father is dead about one and half years, and also two of my sisters the remaining are all well one is married in California, which writes that she is well. I shewed John Gilman your letter he says he does not remember you writing to him he is at present stopping at my place since his wife died. He has had several changes in life a part of his time on the rail-road which runs through Canada here, at other in private Employment, his children a little Boy and girl stops with

me and are very nice Children. One, Mary, the Elder, has a good Education and plays tolerably well on the Piano Forte. Edward Gilman and Family lives also in the Country both John and Edward's property have passed through the commission Courts and are left to the fate of fortune how they may live. For myself I had the good luck so far to acquire a fair property Equivalent to my support, and those dependent on me, this Country is greatly changed since you were here. Detroit is twice as large as it was then, but Emigration is all changed for the Far West and the gold mines. Return an answer as soon as you can, and I shall remain

Yours,
James Baker

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Amherstburgh, Canada West. July 22nd 1856.

Devonshire Hawkes, Esq.

Dear Sir,

I am sending you a deed to fill up, you will observe they are not so particular in this country which I suppose the American Consul understands. Between the upper lines in small writing is the word Heirs of the late Henry Hawkes, before which you will place the names of said Heirs beginning with John, as the eldest. If you can get any other Brother to sign it or John's wife, the more names the better also I think it would appear better if you were one of the witnesses; after the deed follows the Certificate of the Consul as you will see in the Blank form which I think requires little change or ---- if proper such as Ireland in place of Michigan, and as the Consul may see fit according to circumstances. These are my own remarks as I mean to make it satisfactory to both you and myself if possible and when the deed returns and approved I shall do as I have stated in my last letter and according to your demands or expectations which you stated in your last letter deeds are legal according to the forms of law in the country they made out in.

With best respects,
I remain yours,
James Baker

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Amherstburgh, Canada West. 23rd Febr. 1857. Dev. Hawkes Esq.

My Dear Sir,

I received your letter of Nov. 28th and only now do reply from circumstances connected with this unsuccessful plan which I have never received one farthing from, but my hopes having lately paid forty nine dollars law expenses, I had no objects this last two years in keeping it but to obtain some benefits for you to whom I think it was justly due, as I could have sold out all my interests before now. I therefore shall sell as soon as I can get an opportunity again which will be I think about six months or say the fall. You will observe at the bottom of that deed I sent you the American Consul's acknowledgment so you will ask your brothers to acknowledge in his

presence their signature if any should be absent that you cannot get, who has signed, yourself or the others may swear or make affidavit to its being their signature if such will do as the Consul of the U. States will be able to tell you, whose acknowledgement or certificate must come with the deed, in order to make it of any value, if your brother John will not sign, do the best you can without him, it would be better if he did, his interests is no more than the rest and that would amount to nothing. The Gilman's have laid claim to this wreck of a place, also my object will be to secure recovering my losses as soon as possible by sale and also what I have promised you, if you come short of being able to get what I acquire you will have at least the proportionate sum according to the signers and the whole amount if I can make it available. If John does not sign, the name of John which is in the deed you must have the Consul erase, I cannot lose any more than I have lost by it until I gain or likely to gain so you will be as speedy as possible in Expediting the matter and doing whatever you can do, as I shall take the same course for the benefit of both you and I, (myself) by attention to this matter immediately. Our mutual interests will be served if I live to have it so, and I shall remain yrs. most sincerely, James Baker.

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Amherstburgh, Canada West. B.N. A. Sept. 1st 1859.
Devonshire Penrose Hawkes Esq.

Dear Sir,

Not having heard from you in so long a time, I have ventured to write you these few lines, hoping that I may have the pleasure of exchanging the news of the day and our respective countries with all friends who live therein my family are well, those who live with me John Gilman's children and my oldest sister there are two more of my sisters, one married and one single in California they praise the country in Climate and Soil with the high price of labour and other ---- connected with a new Country which they must expect the Gillmans all are well Edward's family lives in Detroit and John at present is gone up in the North West of Michigan with a surveying party he is a great deal removing from one situation to another with many hardships to gain a livelihood.

I have learned from my friends at home that my Uncle Tom Rubie is dead some time which I was sorry to hear – it reminds me of how we are all sure to pass away, my health has been only middling and gives me serious thoughts at times. I must not forget to mention to you that I have never done any thing with that old farm out near Dexter. I have had some trouble with it in law and likely to have more these poor people that go on there from time to time either move off or will not pay anything damaging every thing they can so nothing remains but the skeleton of a barn and the very skeleton of a new farm without fences. I had to send money twice out there and went twice myself also once to purchase those tax titles held against the place and could have got rid of it and saved myself also what Jonas owed my father some time ago, but thought it would not look well to sacrifice it for my own interests only, and disperse any interest that you and the Gillmans may claim if you could get me a power of Attorney affirmed before a notary Public with the seal of his office certifying thereto, or the American Consul either would be lawful to me from the heirs of Henry Hawkes and Jonas Gillman the laws of Michigan does not recognise the elder branch of a family more than all brothers and sisters so that any two or more of each family would do, would then add my own title in the matter and sell it at Public Sale making

three parts to Hawkes and one part to Gilmans another part to Baker the other part, as all have lost by the place, it is the only mode of Justice presents itself to me I have a wish to get what I get honestly now knowing how long I may enjoy it, if this cannot be done I know not what can, as to day I may sell would be all nonsense without the lawfull powers as no person would buy at full price and if I sold my own interest in the place with possession it would only pay myself and get the name of using the whole whereas I could not half price, so you can see the situation of matters as you are allready acquainted with by letters from me I would be glad if you could consult said friends and consider the matter as soon as possible and let me know if ye can assist as the trouble could not be much and we would all get something, more likely than you imagine let me know as soon as possible if there is any likelihood of your being able to arrange in the above official manner I order to get full value if we could this would be much better than leaving property to strangers through negligence I will await your answer and any other news please to give and I shall remain your James Baker.

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Note. Uncle Tom Rubie – there was a tallow chandler of Cork called Philip Rubie, an iron merchant of Mallow Lane, mentioned in Holdens Directory of 1811. And when Christopher Pearson the young medical student of Mountcross went to London in 1794, he mentioned a friend there called Rubie.

The Gillmans were cousins of the Hawkes and were a family of Protestant landowners in County Cork. From the above letter, they seem to have been cousins of James Baker as well.

James Baker wrote fairly illiterate letters – the landed gentry of Ireland did not regard education very highly and considered it much more important for their children to be good shots, good horsemen, and good sportsmen. Sometimes their younger sons were sent to school and university where many of them turned out to be very brilliant scholars – but this was regarded, more often than not, as a second-best sort of life. The eldest son or two, who had more chance of inheriting the estate were considered too important to waste time on useless schooling!

Mrs. Susan Laville, Worcestershire, England

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End of record

STRAYS

Ann Arbor Courier & Family Visitant, Mar. 1, 1878 Mrs. Christine Wildt, an old resident of this place, now in Detroit, met with a sudden death on Tuesday. Not feeling well, she went in search of medical advice, and while in the office of Dr. Ernest Jahn, was seized with an apoplectic fit, and expired at once. The deceased was upwards of 57 years of age. She leaves four children, two of whom, Mrs. N.H. Drake and Mrs. Wm. Clark, are residents of this city. (Local)

On Tuesday afternoon was received the remains of Mrs. Mary Lillie, who died at Yokohama, Japan, January 25th, 1878, leaving a little daughter aged seven days. The deceased was the daughter of John M. Wheeler of this place, . . . Funeral services at St. Andrews' church on Wednesday last. (Locals)

MORTALITY SCHEDULE, FEDERAL CENSUS OF 1880, YPSILANTI TOWNSHIP and CITY, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN WITH ADDITIONAL NAMES FROM MICHIGAN SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

Ypsilanti Township
E.D. # 244. Enumerator J. Evarts Smith

Fam	Name	Age/Sex/St.	Place of Birth			Occup.	Death/Cause	Yrs
012	Matilda Markham	68 F (w)	ENG	ENG	ENG	HK	Sep Malar. Fev.	09
117	Henry Boyce	8 M -	MI	IRL	NY	-	May Hurt	08
119	Lindley Wright	44 M (m)	OH	VT	OH	Farming	May Bronchitis	02d
180	Leyman Graves	85 M (m)	MA	MA	MA	Farming	Jan Old Age	54
265	James Gregg	63 M (m)	NY	NY	NY	Farming	Mar Heart Dis.	13
265	Norman Quirk	21 M (s)	IN	NY	IN	Laborer	May Consumpt.	04
268	Charles Freeman	40 M (s)	MI	VT	VT	Farming	Feb Consumpt.	30
294	GertrudeYeckley	73 F (w)	NJ	-	-	KH	Aug Old Age	26
300	Phebe Watterbury	67 F (m)	NY	-	-	KH	Aug Chol. Morbus	26
PR	Fred Gottlieb Munch	22 M -	-	-	-	Laborer	Jan Tetanus	-
PR	S.B. Morse	73 M -	-	-	-	MoneyLoan	Apr Paralysis	-
PR	Mrs. Mary Rhinehart	63 F (w)	-	-	-	Genl House Work	Aug Dis. Of Liver	-
PR	Celeste Derbyshire	10/12 F -	-	-	-	-	Aug Malar. Fev.	-
PR	Philip Thompson BL	30 M -	-	-	-	-	Aug Heart Dis.	-
PR	Maria Ann Stroughton BL	43 F (m)	-	-	-	Mother 4 ch.	Mar Bright's Dis.	-
PR	Jane Hays BL	1 F -	-	-	-	-	May Diptheria	-
PR	Mary A. Sinoely BL	37 F -	-	-	-	HK	Apr Pneumonia	=
PR	Anton Wacha	57 M -	-	-	-	Laborer	Jan Ca Stomach	=
PR	Jabez Standbridge	61 M -	-	-	-	Laborer	Aug Dysentery	-

Remarks: The father of Henry Boyce is under arrest for causing the death of their child by kicking him.
Drs. In attendance: Bonsteel, Batwell, Forbes, Post, Ashley, A.F. Kinne, O.S. Boutell, W.H. Hall, R. W. O'Dell.

Ypsilanti City
E. D. 245. Enumerator Lawrence McLouth

Fam	Name	Age/Sex/St.	Place of Birth			Occup.	Death/Cause	Yrs
028	Lewis Hopkins BL	5/12 M -	MI	CND	TN	-	Apr Lung Fev.	5/12

046	John Smith	96 M (w)	NH NH NH	R. Mercht	Jul Bilious Fev.	22
052	Hampton Clark	65 M (m)	NY NY NY	Teamster	Apr Infl. Stom.	20
098	Henrietta McPherson	14 F (s)	MI CND CND	At School	Nov Consumpt.	03
112	No name Gueld	- M -	MI NY NY	-	- Stillborn	=
140	Frank Hutchinson	28 M (m)	MI NY NY	Farmer	Sep Typh. Fev.	22
140	Sallie Carpenter	83 F (w)	NY NY NY	-	Feb Paralysis	45
144	Eliza Wise	76 F (w)	PA PA PA	-	Apr Dropsy	28
143	Lee Hendricks	66 M (m)	NY PA PA	Comm. Mrcht	Sep Typh. Pneum.	24
149	Roxanna Williams	81 F (w)	NY unk unk	-	Aug Heart Dis.	10
235	Tabotha Merrit	73 F (w)	NY unk unk			02
			Disease contracted in New York. Mar Paralysis			
346	Aurelia Kimball	70 F (w)	VT VT VT	-	Apr Typh. Pneum.	08
355	Kate O'Brien	1/12 F -	MI IRL IRL	-	Mar Whp. Cough	1/12
362	Sarah Owen	79 F (w)	NY MA MA	-	May Cong. Brain	19
364	Lydia Van Tasel	95 F (w)	NY NY NY	-	Aug Paralysis	10
236	Alice Armstrong	25 F (m)	MI NY MI	-(d. Pontiac)	Jan Consumpt.	08
384	No name Matthews	6/30 F -	MI VT MI	-	Jun Spinal Dis.	6/30
385	Catharine Estabrook	46 F (m)	NY NY NJ	-(d. Saginaw)	Jan Consumpt.	08
387	Alice -	17 F (s)	MI NH NY	School	Jan Sep Periton.	12
401	Knight Taylor	40 M (m)	MI unk unk	Merchant	Jan Dis. Of Blood	40
410	John Madget	84 M (m)	IRL IRL IRL	-	Dec Old age	(24)
437	John Cummins	2 M (s)	MI WI MI	-	Jan Not known	02
441	Lawrence Rowland	6/12 M (s)	MI CT CT	-	Mar Cong Lungs	-
456	John Young	40 M (m)	NY NY NY	-	Oct Cong chills	12
456	Geo. Frizbie	30 m (m)	NY NY NY	-	Jun Consumpt.	3/12
456	Harry -	4/12 M (s)	MI NY OH	-	Jun Consumpt.	4/12
492	Jacob Larzelere	92 M (w)	NJ unk unk	Farmer	Aug Typh. Fev.	15
500	Hattie Simons	19 F (m)	MI ENG ENG	-	Nov Consumpt.	19
514	Eliza Jane Kimball	59 F (m)	PA PA PA	-	Aug Ca. Womb	34
526	Ida Washington BL	10 F -	MI VA VA	-	Dec –Consumpt.	10
531	Gertrude Bow BL	6 F -	MI ME PA	-	Jul Dropsy	06
581	James Krumion	24 M (s)	NY NY NY	Bank Clerk	Mar Lung Difficulty d. Elmira, Seneca, N. Y.	
581	Nelson Van Tuyl	56 M (s)	NY NJ NJ	Druggist	Jan Peritonitis	-
591	Geo. McCoy	4/12 M (s)	MI IRL NY	-	Mar Erysipelas	4/12
641	Rachel Potts	74 F (m)	SCT ENG SCT	-	Aug Paralysis.	37
696	Hattie Weed	26 F (s)	MI NH NH	-	May Consumpt.	26
697	Pathina Wilson BL	4 F -	MI KY KY	-	May Consumpt.	11

Remarks: The measles were prevalent here in April and May, 1880. Health in city has been generally good.

Drs. In attendance: A.F. Kinne, Bonsteel, Batwell, Knapp, Owen, Saible, Pattison, Dimick, French, McAndrew, Kirkland, Harris.

Ypsilanti City
E. D. 246. Enumerator B.D. Thompson

Fam	Name	Age/Sex/St.	Place of Birth	Occup.	Death/Cause	Yrs
047	Minnie Haggerty	8 F (s)	MI NY CND	-	May Smallpox	08
227	Alexander Kerr	59 M (m)	SCT SCT SCT	Spinner d. Ann Arbor	Oct Consumpt.	28
265	Isaac Crich	22 M (s)	CND ENG ENG	Printer	Aug Cancer	08
170	Saml M. Putney	34 M (m)	NY MA NY	Bookkpr	Apr Consump.	24
179	Anna Smith	38 F (m)	GER GER GER	HK	Aug Neuralgia	11
185	Nicholas Cordary	14 M (s)	MI FRA -	Student	Jun Cong. Chills	14
036	Bertha R. Learch	7 F (s)	MI NY NY	-	Jul Diptheria	06
126	John Howland	82 M (m)	MA MA unk	Farmer	Nov Old Age	43
048	Carrie E. Wallington	38 F (m)	ENG ENG ENG	HK	Jul Consumpt.	16
048	Edward G. Wallington	4/12 M (s)	MI ENG ENG	-	Jul Diarrhea	-
048	Emily George	38 F (m)	ENG ENG ENG	HK	Jun Consumpt.	16
074	James Ayres	59 M (m)	NY - -	RR Employ	Oct Typh. Fev.	-
131	Elizabeth Sasinberg	5 F (s)	MI IRL IRL	-	Jun Scarlet Fev.	05
311	Willie H. Lang	7 - (s)	MI GER GER	Student	Jun Scarlet Fev.	07

No remarks
Drs. In attendance: R.E. Knapp, Bauer of Ann Arbor, D.A. Post, Frazer, Felshaw, S.W. Pattison, E. Batwell, Bonsteel.

Additional Washtenaw County Names from Supplemental Schedules

Supplemental Schedule	E.D. #	Name	Age/Sex /St.	Place of Birth/	Occ.	Death/Cause
1st "A" Mich.	39	Charles Hoick	1 M -	MI - -	-	Oct Infl. Bowels
1st "A" Mich.	68	Wilford Sampson	6 M -	MI - -	-	Jun Diptheria
1st "A" Mich.	70	Mattie Herrod	18 F (s)	MI - -	-	Jan Infl.
3 "A" Mich.	32	Levi F. Shaw	24 M -	OH - -	-	Dec Cong. Lungs
3 Mich.	363	Gertrude Harrington	17 F (s)	MI - -	-	Dec Lung Fever
2 "A" Nebraska	168	Freddie Reese	2/12 M	MI - -	-	Mar Croup
2nd Pennsylvania	58	Howard Bullock	21 M (s)	PA - -	-	Feb Consumpt.

Abbreviations:
St. = Marital Status; KH = Keeping House; Yrs = number of years residing in county
Place of Birth: ENG = England; IRL = Ireland; CND = Canada; SCT = Scotland; GER = Germany.

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THE ADOLF SCHLECHT CHRISTIAN REMEMBRANCE BOOK

This book has the birth dates and names of friends and relatives of Adolf Schlecht of the Washtenaw County family. The title page indicates that the book was published in Stuttgart. The Bethlehem United Church of Christ, Ann Arbor, has granted permission to transcribe and publish these records. All entries are penned in German script and have been translated by John Schmale, Ann Arbor.

Presentation: "As a remembrance from your sister Kathrina Walker, 1887." Entered on the inside cover: 'This book belongs to William Schlecht."

January
3 Kathrina Raushenberger, 1827
4 Catherine Schlecht, Johannes Raushenberger born 1861, Adam Schlecht ,1864.
7 Pauline Raushenberger born 1859
16 Maria Raushenberger born 1852
26 I. M. Keck, 1859
27 George Keck, 1829
30 Mary M. Paul

February
2 Karl Binder, 1846-1880
5 Michhail Frank, 1856
9 Scharlotte Walker, 1884
14 Philipina Hoffstetter, 1823
17 Christina Keck, 1859
19 Rosina M. Keck, 1863
21 J. G. Hoffstetter, 1813
27 Adolf J. Schmid, 1858

March
2 Rosina Keck, 1835
12 Lawrence Schlecht, 1908
28 Christian Walker, 1847, Adolph Schlecht, 1894
31 Wilhelm Raushenberger, 1864

April
2 Mrs Chunderer (?)
4 Matilde Raushenberger, 1866
5 Dewald Saine [it is unclear of the spelling of this name] Born in the year 1875, my grandfather died in February 17 and buried on --- birthday and my father's bir. [birthday].
22 William Schlecht, Jr. born in April, 1922

May
10 Emma Schlecht, 1887, born on Mother's Day, my grandmother, 68-69 in the next May.
19 Helena Mayer, born 1882

June
6 Ant [aunt] Marian Schlecht, 1897
8 Maria Walker, 1854

July
1 Vera Raushenberger, born 1891
2 John Jacob Frank, 1842
5 Ida Raushenberger, born 1868
6 Otto Walker, born 1881, died 8 June 1882
15 Virginia Schlecht, Minnie Saine (?) born 1872

18 ---- Walker, 1872

August
1 Wilhelm Raushenberger, , born 1853
4 Clara Laubengayer, 1864-1879
5 Louise J. Hoffstetter, 1860
7 Lena M. Hoffstetter, 1858
18 Maria Walker, 1875
20 Theodor Huss, 1860

September
3 Clarence Walker, born 1894
4 Rosa Schmidt, 1849
11 Emilie Raushenberger, [torn page]
12 Lidia Raushenberger, 1856
18 A. R. Schmidt, 1843
23 Eugenia Rettich, 1878

October
7 Agnes Binder, 1847-1880
9 George F. Schlecht, 1892
15 Stanley Schlecht, 1916, my cousin, 19 years old in 1935
22 Johannes Raushenberger, born 1825 died 21st January, 1888
24 Barbara Keck, 1864, Eva B. Frank, 1817, Ernest E. Huss, 1861

November
8 Martha Heinrich, 1857
12 Kathrine Walker, 1850
13 Salome Huesel, 1863
26 Michael Grossman, Nov.

December
17 Georg Walker, 1849
22 Carol and Christ Walker Koempf, born 1893
31 Adolf Walker, 1877

GSWC Bible Records Registry

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THE DEATH OF REV. M.B. GELSTON, 1903

Ann Arbor Argus Democrat, 6 March 1903.

Rev. Mills B. Gelston died at his home, 403 Washington street, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 28, at the age of 85 years and 6 months. The funeral was held at his late residence Tuesday at 2 p.m.

Mr. Gelston was born in Sherman, Conn., in 1817. He was of Scotch-Irish descent, the family having come in this country early in the eighteenth century, and settled in Southampton, Long Island. He was educated in the traditional ways of early New England clergymen's families, and after studying with President Noah Porter as a private tutor he entered Yale College, where he graduated in 1845. Entering the ministry, his first pastorate was in Albion, Michigan, from 1855,where he identified himself with the pioneer life. He went then to Naples, N.Y., where he was pastor of the Presbyterian church for 21 years. Since 1860 he has resided with his family in Ann Arbor, supplying churches at Stoney Creek and Salem until advancing age rendered him too feeble.

He leaves his wife, two sons, William F., of the Provident Loan and Trust Co., Buffalo, N.Y., Arthur M., of the Michigan Sugar Co., Bay City, and three daughters, Mary C., of Alma College, Anna B., of Ann Arbor, and Mrs. James A. Woodburn, of Bloomington, Ind.

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LIBRARY REPORT

Compiled by Barbara Snow

929.1 Doane — *Searching for your ancestors: the how and why of genealogy,* Gilbert H. Doane and James B. Bell. 1980, 5th ed. Gift of Marty Carr.

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GEORG MUCK FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

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Translation was done by John Schmale and Rob Steward, March 2003.

The title page is missing for the Old Testament. Handwritten on the page opposite the first page of Bible text of Genesis;"And because from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation." (II Timothy 3:15) Georg Muck

Handwritten between the Old and New Testaments

Catharina Muck Born September 22, 1859
Georg Muck born June 9 (?), 1861
Laura Muck born (March) July 26, 1862
Eduard Julius born March/May (?) 20, 1864
Laura Anna born August 6, 1865
Georg Phillipp born October 22, 1867
Emma Margareth born July 12th, 1869
Jacob born August 26, 1871
Elisabeth Dorthea born August 26, 1872
Willhelm Karl born October 30, 1874
Clara Sussana born January 9, 1877
Heinrich Albert November 9, 1878

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Georg Muck died June 9, 1861
Eduard Julius died August 11, 1864
Laura died August 16, 1864 (?)
Jacob died August 11, 1871
Katarina died 24, Sep. 1893
Clara (?) died March 22, 1909

Next page opposite New Testament title page

Father: Phillip Muck born July 25, 1799 died September 5, 1868
Christina Muck died May/March (?) 12, 1879

The New Testament of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
New York. Published by the American Bible Society, 1848

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CALVIN CRANE FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

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The Holy Bible - containing the Old and New Testaments
Philadelphia. Published by the Bible Association of Friends in America, 1831

FAMILY RECORD

Marriages

Calvin Crane and Deborah Power married at Farmington, Mich. 7th of 2nd mo 1844

Grand - Father Crane's family

	Born	Died
George Crane (?)	8th of 11th mo, 1756	27, 6 mo 1804
Phila Crane	26th of 5th mo, 1760	3, 8 mo, 1839
George Crane	31st of 3 mo, 1783	17th, 4th mo 1856
Henry Crane	3rd of 12th mo, 1785	20, 4 mo 1854
Polly Crane	17th of 4th mo 1787	11,2 mo 1845
Tinner Crane	24 of 1st mo, 1789	22nd of mo 1843
Hannah Crane	7th of 5th mo, 1790	10, 4 mo 1849
John Crane	29th of 1st mo 1793	died
Clarissa (?) Crane	29th of 12th mo, 1799	died

Grand - Father Lincoln's family

	Born	Died
Benjamin Lincoln	17th of 11 mo 1740	31st, 1st mo 1828
Elizabeth Lincoln	21st of 2 m 1748	22nd, 11 mo 1810
Lydia Lincoln	10th of 9th mo 1765	20th, 4 mo 1839
Moses Lincoln	11th of 1st mo 1770	died
Elizabeth Lincoln	11th of 1st mo 1773	died
Benjamin Lincoln	30th of 3rd mo 1775	died
Hannah Lincoln	9th of 10th mo 1777	8th mo 1853
Aaron Lincoln	1st of 5th mo 1780	died
Charity Lincoln	7th of 8th mo 1782	9th mo 1863 *[21 is penciled over 9th]*
Mercy Lincoln	5th of 3rd mo 1785	26th 8 mo 1844
Junior Lincoln	3rd of 6th mo 1787	died

Births George Crane's Family

George Crane	31st 3rd mo 1783
Charity Crane	7th 8th mo 1782

Philo P. Crane	6th 12th mo 1804
Elizabeth M. Crane	5th 2nd mo 1804
Rowena C. Crane	2 - 2nd mo 1809
George L. Crane	20th - 11th mo 1810
Benjamin L. Crane	29th, 10th mo, 1812
Calvin Crane	25th, 12th mo 1810
Clarissa P. Crane	22nd, 2nd mo 1824

Births Arthur Power's Family

Arthur Power	14th, 11 mo 1791
Debora A. Power	8th, 2nd mo 1775
Duane Power	27th, 2nd mo, 1795
John Power	3rd, 3rd mo 1797
Ira Power	3, 1st mo 1799
Nathan Power	19th, 4 mo 1801
Mary Power	20th, 4th mo 1803
Samuel Power	6th, 7 mo 1807
Bulah Power	4th, 11th mo 1809
Abram Power	6th, 1st mo 1812
William Power	29th, 4mo 1814
Esther Power	20th, 7 mo 1815
Mary Power (2nd wife)	10th, 3rd mo 1788
Deborah Power	19th, 11 mo 1820
Duana Power	4th, 11 mo 1823
Sarah L. Power (3rd wife)	7th, 8mo 1785

Deaths

George Crane	17th 4mo 1856
Charity Crane	21 9mo 1863
Phila P. Crane	31st 8 mo 1807
Elizabeth M. Crane	23 10 mo 1845
Rowena C. Crane	10th, 12 mo 1850
George L. Crane	8th, 4 mo 1891
Benjamin S. Crane	15th, 5 mo 1867
Calvin Crane	16, 5 mo 1901
Clarissa P. Crane	1, 3 mo 1857

FAMILY RECORD

	Born	Died
Calvin Crane	25th of 12th mo 1816	5 mo 26 1901 1-25 pm
Debora Crane	19th of 11 mo 1820	4 mo 15th 1880, 3-45 pm
Arthur P. Crane	7th of 7th mo 1840	
Elizabeth S. Botsford	5, 8 mo 1856	8" 1 mo 1882, 1-20 am

Arthur Power	6" 8 mo 1836
Deborah A. Power	11", 12" 1817(1st wife of)
Duana Power	1797 (1st)
John Power	7 1818
Ira Power	20th, 9th mo 1858
Nathan Power	20th 1 mo 1873
Mary Power	13th 7 mo 1900
Ja'nd C. Power	10th 10mo 1840
Samuel Power	25th 2mo 1870
Bulah Power	7th 8mo 1839
Abram L. Power	21st 2mo 1890
William L. Power	3, 3 1893 11 pm
Esther Power	19, 10 1845
Mary Power	4th, 11 mo 1823 (2nd wife)
Deborah Power	15th, 4 1880, 3-45 p,
Duana Power	23rd, 6 mo 1860 (2nd)
Sara L. Power (3rd wife)	

Several obituaries are pasted in the bible: Deborah Crane, Calvin Crane and Libbie Botsford -

The Libbie Botsford obituary states she was the daughter of Myron and Minnie Botsford, but was adopted by Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Crane at the age of 8.

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DANIEL WHEDON FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record has been kindly donated to the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County Michigan, by Russell Bidlack of Ann Arbor, Michigan, from a collection in his possession. The title page is missing.

MARRIAGES

Daniel Whedon and Rachel Bishop was married January 25th, 1807.
Daniel Whedon, in the twentyeth year of his age. Rachel Bishop in the five and twentyeth year of her age.

BIRTHS

Harriet R. Whedon was born November the 11th, (torn page).
Abraham R. Whedon was born January the 27th, (torn page).
Lydia T. Whedon was born March the 15th, 1813.
Albert B. Whedon was born March the 21st, 1815.

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QUERIES AND REQUESTS

ALLEN
HAGGARD
HERRMANN
REHMUS

Gustave Herrmann & wife Eva Rehmus came from GER to Ann Arbor in 1873. Son Frederick Ludwig b. 28 Jun 1878 in Ann Arbor d. abt 1907 in Jackson, Jackson Co MI. He marr Clarissa Lavina Allen. Other ch: Mary b. ca 1880, Anna b. ca 1881, Albert b. ca 1889. Sk GER origins of the Herrmann fam and obits for all.

Jane Anne Haggard, 49400 River Dr. Rd. #53, Oakhurst, CA 93644-8889.
E-Mail: janeanne@sti.net

KERN
SIEGEL

Mary Kern b. Wuerttemberg d. ca 1860-1862 d/o unk father and Catherine Siegel, w/o Jacob F. Kern. May be the Mary Kern bur in Highland Cem, Ypsilanti, but cannot assume. This was one of the bodies moved from Prospect Park Cem and has no identifying data. In 1870 Mary found with Jacob in Manlius, Allegan Co MI. Mary had 2 ch: Jacob, Jr., and Lydia. Tradition says she d. near Ann Arbor. Sk all info re Mary. She is my brick wall.

Frank Kern, 45609 Edgewood Ct., Canton, MI 48187-1606.

PAUL
VAN DERVOORT

William H. Van Dervoort b. 28 Feb 1869 prob Ypsilanti, s/o Thomas S. Van Dervoort & wife Euphrasia. Sk ancestry of William and his activities in Ypsilanti.

Donald Paul, 1952 Ward, Muscatine, IA 52761. E-mail:dhlvpaul@muscanet.com

DAGGETT
FLEWELLING
FULLER
MacLOUTH
UTTER

Jabez Fuller b. Attleboro, MA 1741 s/o Abial & Bulah Daggett Fuller m. 1765 Westchester NY Rebecca Utter. Fam found in 1790 in Fishkill, Dutchess Co NY. Known ch: Jesse, Lydia, Abial, Levi. Another son poss Elihu marr in Fishkill then mvd to Delaware Co NY. Jabez and fam mvd to Galen, south of Clyde, Wayne Co NY. Levi m. Daraxa MacLouth later mvd to Washtenaw Co. Lydia m. --- Flewelling. Jabez d. poss 1798, may have res with Lydia. Sk ddt and place of Jabez. Sk the missing son Elihu.

Forrest L. Fuller, M.D., P.O. Box 476, Collegedale, TN 37315. E-mail: docfuller@juno.com

HURD
MANLEY
SHREEVES
WOOD

Clarissa M. Wood b. 9 Dec 1823 Canandaigua, NY d. 15 May 1912 Lawrence KS m. 22 Jan 1843 in Ann Arbor, MI David Hurd Manley (1820 NY -- 1900 KS). One source claims Clarissa dau of James Wood and Clarissa Hurd; if so, Clarissa and David Manley were first cousins. The Hurds came from Steuben Co NY. Clarissa may have had a bro Ira Wood of Lima Twp, Washt Co Ch of Clarissa and David: Collins D. Manley b. 1844; Merritt M. Manley b. 1846; Julia Manley b. 1848; Delbert Darwin Manley (my gf) b. 1857 Paw Paw, MI. Sk the pars of Clarissa and her siblings.

Marie Shreeves, 10228 W. Forrester Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351. Winter address.
Summer address 7317 N. Novada, Parkville, MO 64152.
E-mail:dnwrkn2@hotmail.com

BENSON
SMITH

Arthur Smith found in York Twp Washt Co in 1860 census with second wife (name illeg) and sons Oliver and Orsamus. Also a Eugene Benson. Is he a stepson? Cannot find him in 1870. Is there a marriage record and a death record in the county?

Sheila Smith, 1623 Fairway Dr., Clinton, IA 5273208.

VREELAND
WALLACE

Peter B. Vreeland b. ca 1823 NY & wife Sarah Wallace b. NY d/o Fanny M. & Henry Wallace res 1870 and 1880 Wayland, Allegan Co MI. William O. Vreeland b. ca 1821 NY & wife Rachel res next to Peter. According to land records Peter came in 1832 from Washt Co Another record says he came from Seneca Co NY. Sk the pars of Peter. Is he related to William?

Barbara C. Vreeland, 3311 Lavina Dr., Forest Grove, OR 97116.
E-mail: seafair@gte.net

BENT
BUSS
TOMLINSON

Winslow Brigham Bent res Ann Arbor Washt Co in1860s, found in 1870 census in Ann Arbor with wife Jane Elizabeth and father-in-law Sheldon Tomlinson. Dau Edith Bent b. 18 Oct 1873 Ann Arbor. Sheldon Tomlinson, clothier, d. Ann Arbor 5 Sept 1876. In 1880 Winslow is in Chicago, listed as retired shirt manufacturer. Sk occupation and any info of Winslow in Ann Arbor. Sk obit of Sheldon and birth rec of Edith.

Lester Buss, 503 Lake Ave., Gottenburg, NE 69138.

DEAN
FARLEY
MEAHER
RICHARDS
VAN ATTA

Stella Louise Farley b. South Lyon Twp, Oakland Co 15 Oct 1875 d. 1860 Fenton, MI bur South Lyon Cem, d/o David Farley and Ann E. Van Atta marr 1896 in South Lyon, MI Clarence R. Dean. David Farley b. 2 May 1849 d. 9 Nov 1923. Sk his origins and those of his wife Ann E. Van Atta. Elias Dean b. NJ ca 1780s d. in his pioneer home in South Lyon Twp, 8 Mile Rd., Oakland Co MI 1 Sep 1865 bur Green Oak Union Cem, Livingston Co; marr Abigale Meaher b. ca 1791 d. in pioneer home 17 Jun 1850. Elias and his fam settled first in Washt County, then bought land in Green Oak Twp in Livingston Co. Sk origins of Elias Dean. Wd like contact with desc.

Carl W. Richards, 617 Lakewood Dr., South Lyon, MI 48178-1044.

GREGORY
LAWRENCE
NOBLE
PIERCE
REYNOLDS
RUCKMAN
WESTBERG

Lucius S. Pierce b. 10 Apr 1828 NY C.W. Vet res Saline 1892. First wife Mary R. Noble d/o Cyrus Gatees Noble & Rozilla Reynolds b. VT ca 1829 d. 1872 Fam in Saline in 1860,1870. Lucius and Mary were marr in Oswego, Kendall Co IL. They had 6 ch: Franklin W. Pierce b. ca 1853 Saline d. 1941; Charles Pierce b. 1856; Morgana Pierce b. 1860; Nona Pierce b. 1864; Alice Pierce b. 1868; Jessie Pierce b. 1871. Lucretia Motte Gregory d/o William Melville Gregory & Sophia Adelia Lawrence b. 10 July 1836 Saline marr 1st Lewis A. Ruckman marr 2nd Lucius S. Pierce 1877 Saline d. 4 Apr 1915. Sk bur places and obits for Lucius, Mary and Lucretia. Other available info appreciated.

Laurie Westberg, 13236 N. 7th St., Suite 4, MB #299, Phoenix AZ 85022.
E-mail: Lauriewestberg@worldnet.att.net

COMMINS
CUMMINGS
MULLEN

John E. Cummings b. 1879 Dowagiac, MI s/o Thomas (1828 – 1905) & Mary Mullen (1835 - 1923). Pars em from IRL in mid 1850s and had 12 ch. In 1920 John res with his mother and his wife Mary in Dexter, MI; Mary was age 42 yrs, b. IN. John, his mother and his wife res Elkhart IN in 1910 census. Sk info on John and Mary. Did they have ch?

Chris Commins, Beneavin House, Beneavin Rd., Finglas, Dublin 11, Ireland.
E-mail: ccommins@iol.ie.

HOY
LOVEJOY
ROOT

George W. Hoy b. 11 Aug 1823 Fairfield Co CT mvd to Manchester, MI ca 1830-1834 marr in Washt Co 29 May 1850 Sarah Lovejoy Root d/o ZenusRoot & Lucy Lovejoy Root. 7 ch: Charles H. b. 5 Nov 1851; Willis Frank b. 7 Sep 1853; Lilly J. b. 30 Nov 1854; Fred A. b. 17 July 1855; Edwin Eugene b. 13 Jul 1857; Frank L. b. 20 Jan 1860; Emma Amanda b. 5 May 1862. Sk pars and sibs of George W. Hoy.

Dennis L. Hoy, 803 Timber Trail, Genoa, IL 60135.

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BIRTH RECORDS FROM JOHN WILLIAM BLAKSLEE BIBLE RECORD

This record continues the Bible record of the Blakslee Bible printed in *Family History Capers,* Volume 25, No. 3 (Winter 2002).

BIRTHS

Alfred P. Blakslee born December 11th, 1817
Morris F. Blackslee, born June 10th 1820
Julius W. Blackslee, born October 30th. 1823
Philenia Blackslee born October 12th. 1824
John William Blakslee Jr. born April 25th, 1830
Urania Blackslee born April 25 1830

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IN MEMORIAM

Daniel G. Burke

2 November 1953 - 1 August 2002

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